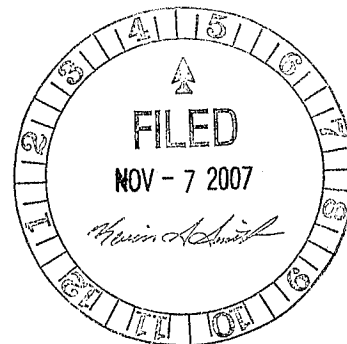


In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF)
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THE APPOINTMENT OF)
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RAYMOND M. KIRTLEY AS) Case No. 12S00-0711 -MS- 522
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SENIOR JUDGE IN THE)
)
CLINTON SUPERIOR COURT)

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE

The presiding judge of the Clinton Superior Court, the Hon. Kathy R. Smith, has requested the appointment of Senior Judge Raymond M. Kirtley for service in that court for 2007, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the Judge Smith has demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources. We find further that Judge Smith would benefit from the appointment of a senior judge to her court. Senior Judge Raymond M. Kirtley has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission for the calendar year 2007 pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of weighted caseload statistics and other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Raymond M. Kirtley is appointed to serve in the Clinton Superior Court at the discretion of the presiding judge, retroactive to **August 1, 2007**. This appointment shall remain in effect until **December 31, 2007**. Judge Smith shall utilize Judge Kirtley and other senior judges for no more than the total number of senior judge days allocated to the trial court, and it shall be incumbent upon Judge Smith to ensure that the total number of allocated days is not exceeded. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2007 calendar year.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable Kathy R. Smith, Clinton Superior Court, 320 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041-1963; to the Honorable Raymond M. Kirtley; to the Clerk of the Clinton Superior Court

for entry in the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this 7th day of November , 2007.

RT Shepard

Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana